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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SOYBEAN-DERIVED FOOD

MATERIAL AND PROCESSED FOOD

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REQUEST FOR EXAMINER-INITIALED PTO-1449 FORM

Commissioner for Patents
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

The Office Action mailed May 15, 2008, constituting a requirement for restriction, cites USP 4,521,439 and USP 4,992,291 in support of lack of a single general inventive concept among Groups I-IV. The Examiner specifically took the position that claim 4 is either obvious or anticipated by US '439, and that claim 6 is either obvious or anticipated by US '291. There was no PTO-892 form citing either US '439 or US '291 attached to that earlier Office Action, nor are these references cited on the PTO-892 form attached to the current Office Action of July 9, 2008.

In view of these circumstances, Applicants are attaching hereto a PTO-1449 form citing both of these references. The Examiner is kindly requested to initial each of these references, and then send a copy of the initialed form to Applicants' attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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